

# **United States Department of the Interior**

# BUREAU OF RECLAMATION MID-PACIFIC REGION

# PUTAH RESOURCE AREA - LAKE BERRYESSA 5520 Knoxville Road Napa, California 94558

IN REPLY REFER TO:

# **OPERATIONAL POLICY NO. 13**

#### POLICY ON FEE REVIEWS AND APPROVALS.

# A. Application:

This policy applies to Federal land and water areas at Lake Berryessa developed for recreational purposes and operated under concession agreements.

# B. Authority:

This policy is adopted pursuant to Public Law 93-493, Sections 601 and 602, which in part, provides for the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) to administer the Federal land and water areas at Lake Berryessa in such a manner that will best provide for public recreational use and enjoyment; and, to develop a recreation management plan. Pursuant to directions to complete a recreation management plan, a Record of Decision (ROD) was adopted after completion of the Lake Berryessa Reservoir Area Management Plan (RAMP) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Preferred Action 41 of the ROD specifically addresses fee reviews and approvals. This policy is further adopted pursuant to each concession agreement.

### C. Definitions:

**Long-term Use** -- The private exclusive use of an area by an individual(s) for an extended period of time. The placement of mobile homes and travel trailers on specifically designated and developed long-term recreational sites, placement of permitted private houseboats on the lake, and rental of cabins docks, boat storage garages, and dry boat storage areas for periods of time greater than three continuous months are examples of long-term use.

**Short-term Use** -- The non-exclusive recreational use of an area by the public for short periods of time (usually no more than 14 days in a 30 day period). Camping and day use are examples of short-term use.

#### D. Policy:

- 1. Adjustment of long-term use fees by concessionaires will not require review and approval by Reclamation, Provided That, the concessionaire and Reclamation mutually agree to modify the appropriate paragraph in the concession agreement which requires all rates and prices charged to the public by the concessionaire for accommodations or services furnished or sold shall be subject to regulations and approval of the government.
- 2. Upon modification of the concession agreement, long-term use fees may be reviewed and approved by Reclamation, at the written request of the concessionaire. The concessionaire shall not be bound to adopt the fee schedule developed by Reclamation resulting from such a request. However, all administrative costs incurred by Reclamation in developing a fee schedule shall be paid regardless of the concessionaire's decision to accept or reject the fee structure.
- 3. Adjustment of fees and charges for short-term use and goods and services shall continue to be subject to Reclamation review and approval prior to implementation, consistent with existing language found in each concession agreement.
- 4. Adjustment of fees and charges, for long-term use or short-term uses, shall only occur on an annual basis.
- 5. All remaining terms and conditions of the concession agreements shall remain unchanged and in full force.

APPROVED: 6/16/94

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